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The Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (RCPI) is delighted to announce the launch of a new training programme, the International Residency Training Programme in Paediatrics. Applications will be accepted from 24 February – 10 March 2019.

This postgraduate medical training programme has been developed in conjunction with the Saudi Commission for Health Specialties (SCFHS) and gives you the opportunity to complete your core Paediatric training in Ireland.

The International Residency Training Programme in Paediatrics is a three-year training programme, fully delivered in Ireland, certified by RCPI and recognised for registration purposes by the SCFHS.

What does this Training Programme offer?

The International Residency Training Programme in Paediatrics is designed to train doctors in the secondary care and prevention of Paediatric disease and illness. Training is primarily structured around developing skills and expertise within four core areas; General Paediatrics, Neonatology, Subspecialty Training and Clinical Judgement.

Successful completion of the International Residency Training Programme in Paediatrics leads to:

- Membership of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland (MRCPI) in Paediatrics
- A Certificate of Achievement of Residency Training awarded by RCPI and recognised by the SCFHS

On completion of the training programme, you will be eligible for classification as a Senior Registrar in Paediatrics in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Entry requirements for the Programme

To apply for the Joint Residency Training Programme:

- You must have completed your primary medical degree through English in a SCFHS recognised centre
- You must have completed a structured internship
- You must be a National of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
- You must have provisional sponsorship to cover your fees, salary and living expenses
- You must have two letters of recommendation from senior clinical or academic supervisors at your University or hospital
- You must **not** currently hold a position on a Residency Programme in Saudi Arabia

Following acceptance onto the Programme, you must:

- Achieve an Academic IELTS score of overall 7.0 (with no one domain less than 6.5) **or** an overall OET score of B (with a minimum score of B in each domain)
- Complete all requirements for registration with the Irish Medical Council

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International Residency Programme in Paediatrics: What to expect

1 Month Induction to Ireland and Irish Health Service

You will move to Ireland 4-6 weeks prior to starting in post, to complete a one-month orientation programme with the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland. The logistics and technicalities of the Irish health service are very different to those in the Gulf, including hospital filing systems, legislation governing medical practice, referral systems, clinical team structures, etc. In addition to this, you will have to adapt to a new country and culture and a different way of interacting with colleagues and treating patients.

In order to ensure that you are professionally equipped to meet these challenges, the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland will provide a comprehensive induction and orientation course for you. This will enable you to adjust to a new country, culture and healthcare system, and to face the demands and expectations of your postgraduate medical training programme with confidence.

Year 1 in Ireland

Your first year of training in Ireland will build your core skills in General Paediatrics, including exposure to the following key child health areas; Asthma, Cystic Fibrosis, Diabetes, Developmental delay, Autism assessment and Emergency Paediatrics.

- You will complete this year of training in an approved training post in Ireland under the supervision of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland
- You will be required to pass the MRCPI Part 1 Written examination in Paediatrics
- You may elect to sit the MRCPI Part 2 Written examination in Paediatrics
- You will be required to pass an End of Year Evaluation in Ireland

Year 2 in Ireland

Your second year of training will include a rotation in the core area of Neonatology, in addition to a number of subspecialty rotations, such as Paediatric Cardiology, Gastroenterology, Neurology, Respiratory, etc.

- You will complete this year of training in an approved training post in Ireland under the supervision of the Royal College of Physicians of Ireland
- If not achieved in Year 1, you will be required to pass the MRCPI Part 2 Written examination in Paediatrics
- You will be required to pass the MRCPI Part 2 Clinical examination in Paediatrics
- You will be required to pass an End of Year Evaluation in Ireland

Year 3 in Ireland

Further to completion of the MRCPI in Paediatrics, the final year of training in Ireland will be spent at the Junior Registrar/Registrar level, during which time you will have the opportunity to develop your clinical independence and decision-making skills. You will also have the opportunity to select an elective area of practice that interests you and focus on this sub-specialty for a number of months.

- You will be required to complete all requirements for training and to pass your Final Year Evaluation

During your third year, you will also be eligible to take the Saudi Board Part 2 examinations in Paediatrics and will be exempt from Part 1 of this exam, courtesy of your successful completion of the MRCPI in Paediatrics. Taking the Saudi Board is not a requirement of the Programme, however, you may wish to take this and be dual-board certified.

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Supporting your move to Ireland

At RCPI, we know that moving to another country involves a lot of preparation and paperwork.

We are committed to making this process as easy as possible for all doctors who are accepted onto our international training programmes.

The support we offer in association with Castel Education, an agency that specialises in supporting international students coming to Ireland, includes:

- English language tutoring in preparation for taking the IELTS/OET and achieving the required score
- Visa and immigration assistance, including liaising with the Irish Embassy on your behalf
- Helping you apply for registration with the Irish Medical Council
- Helping you make travel arrangements
- Collecting you at the airport in Ireland
- Helping you find suitable accommodation
- Helping your family members move to Ireland, e.g. finding suitable schools
- Assistance with setting up banking and mobile phone accounts
- Emergency telephone support

How to apply & further information

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Go to www.scfhs.org.sa

An online application form will be available on the SCFHS website www.scfhs.org.sa from **24 February – 10 March 2019**

Contact us

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